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TO AMEMBASSY TOKYO

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SUBJECT: US-JAPAN PLANNING TALKS

REF: TOKYO 10432

1. S/P HAS WORKED OUT FOLLOWING ARRANGEMENTS WITH JAPANESE
EMBASSY FOR PLANNING TALKS:

A. GROUP WILL LEAVE TOKYO MORNING OF SEPTEMBER 7 FOR
NIKKO AND RETURN SEPTEMBER 9.

B. AGENDA WILL INCLUDE THREE MAJOR TOPICS: (1) RESPECTIVE
US AND JAPANESE POLICIES TOWARD EAST ASIA, IN PARTICULAR
TOWARD CHINA, KOREA, ASEAN AND INDOCHINA; (2) INTERNATIONAL
ECONOMIC SITUATION WITH PRIMARY EMPHASIS ON NORTH/SOUTH
PROBLEM AND ENERGY; AND (3) BILATERAL ECONOMIC AND SECURITY
RELATIONS. SOVIET POLICY WILL BE REVIEWED AS IT RELATES
TO ASIAN CONCERNS BUT NOT AS SEPARATE AGENDA ITEM.

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C. WE WILL NOT EXCHANGE POSITION PAPERS BUT WILL EXCHANGE
PAPERS LISTING MORE DETAILED POINTS FOR DISCUSSION UNDER
EACH ITEM. JAPANESE WILL LEAD OFF DISCUSSION ON EAST ASIA
POLICIES, NORTH/SOUTH PROBLEM, AND SECURITY. US WILL LEAD

OFF ON OTHER ITEMS. EACH SIDE WILL PREPARE FOR ITS OWN

USE DETAILED TALKING POINTS.

D. WE HAVE AGREED THAT TALKS SHOULD FOCUS ON LIMITS AND POSSIBILITIES OF US/JAPAN COOPERATION IN THESE AREAS AND SHOULD SEEK TO IDENTIFY AREAS WHERE WE ARE IN SUBSTANTIAL AGREEMENT AND THOSE WHERE QUOTE OUR DIFFERENT PERCEPTIONS OF PROBLEMS OR JAPAN'S OWN POLITICAL OR ECONOMIC REQUIREMENTS MAY POSE DIFFICULTIES. UNQUOTE WITH REGARD TO BILATERAL ECONOMIC AND SECURITY RELATIONS JAPANESE HAVE SUGGESTED THAT FOCUS SHOULD BE ON QUOTE PLACING THESE ISSUES IN A PERSPECTIVE OF HOW BEST TO MAINTAIN AND PROMOTE THE PRESENT RELATIONSHIP IN NEXT FEW YEARS. UNQUOTE

E. ONE EVENING WILL BE DEVOTED TO FREE DISCUSSION OF DOMESTIC POLITICS.

2. WASHINGTON PARTICIPANTS WILL BE ANTHONY LAKE, JEFFREY GARTEN, ALAN ROMBERG AND RICHARD FINN FROM S/P AND EVELYN COLBERT AND NICHOLAS PLATT FROM EA. WE HAVE NOT YET MADE TRAVEL ARRANGEMENTS BUT EXPECT AS MINIMUM TO REQUIRE RESERVATIONS IN TOKYO FOR NIGHT OF SEPTEMBER 6 AND PROBABLY NIGHT OF SEPTEMBER 9. ROMBERG WILL ARRIVE TOKYO SEPTEMBER 6 FROM SEOUL AND PLATT WILL ALREADY BE IN JAPAN. COLBERT PLANS TO ARRIVE IN TOKYO SEPTEMBER 5 AND REMAIN FOR CONSULTATIONS LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

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WITH THE EMBASSY, DEPARTING SEPTEMBER 13. WILL CABLE SPECIFIC TRAVEL ARRANGEMENTS LATER.

3. JAPANESE EMBASSY HAD NO INFORMATION REGARDING POSSIBLE SOCIAL ARRANGEMENTS. ANY INFORMATION EMBASSY OBTAINS IN THIS SCORE WOULD BE APPRECIATED, PARTICULARLY IF JAPANESE MIGHT PLAN SOMETHING FOR EVENING OF SEPTEMBER 9.

4. WE WILL OF COURSE AS IN PAST DESIRE AND WELCOME PARTICIPATION BY EMBASSY TOKYO. CHRISTOPHER

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